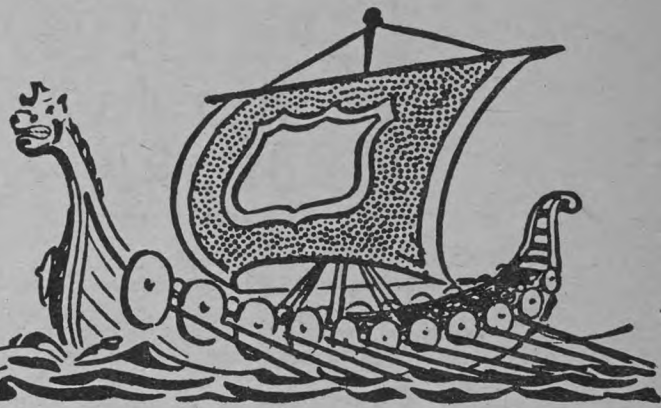




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Susan Sorensen Queen

ANOTHER FLIGHT AWAY One More To Go

Another Scandinavian Centre Charter Flight took to the air as Flight No. 36 (Air Canada Flight No. CO 70) left Edmonton International Airport at Nisku on time at 5:20 p.m. June 10. It headed directly to the Swedish capital and Stockholm Arlanda Airport. It arrived there the following morning at 10:25.

The flight is to return on July 8, with the passengers having nearly a whole month in lovely Scandinavia. Arrival time scheduled at the International Airport on July 8 at 2:25 p.m.

As usual there were many persons at the airport to see them off and although there had been rain throughout the past days, the weather was perfect and everything went smoothly as usual. A list of the passengers follows at the end of this article, included was Flight Director Paul Karvonen.

Charter Flight No. 37 (Air Canada Flight No. CO 72) is scheduled to leave from Edmonton International Airport (Nisku) at 10:20 in the evening of July 14 heading directly to the Norwegian capital and Oslo Tornebu Airport - arrival time scheduled for 3:05 the following afternoon.

The length of time for this last flight for the summer season is 27 days returning on Aug. 10. It will land in Edmonton at the International Airport at a scheduled time of 3:20 p.m.

There are several passengers leaving on this flight, but there are still seats available for late comers and you are requested to put in your reservations now as time is quickly fleeting by.

All members of The Scandinavian Centre in Canada and the U.S. were sent a circular letter urging them to support this last flight in order to make the flights payable. If there is no further response to this flight The Scandinavian Centre stands to lose money. This, in turn, may prevent the Centre from having further flights. If you are planning to go to Scandinavia, now is the time to go. In the circular a typographical error occurred in which it was stated at the end of the letter the flight would leave Aug. 14, but this is not true - it leaves on July 14.

For all those leaving on Flight No. 37 to Oslo, we would remind you again that it is YOUR responsibility to get to the airports on time - WE DO NOT WANT TO LEAVE YOU BEHIND! We strongly recommend you allow ample time between your Air Canada flights and connecting planes, trains and coaches.

You are requested to be at the Edmonton International Airport at Nisku at least an hour and a half before the scheduled time of de-



Kees Roetman, Air Canada Sales Representative and Flight Director, Paul Karvonen.

parture. As the time for departure is 10:20 p.m. on July 14 you should be at the Air Canada Counter by 8:50 p.m. Those having no transportation to the airport are reminded that a bus leaves the MacDonald Hotel at Jasper and 100 St. nearly every hour, so contact them at the hotel or phone 429-3826 and



Laurel Hafso, Doris Liimatainen, Susan Sorensen, Bonnie Halldorson and Fay Holmlund.

Scandinavian Pioneer Dies at 86

By Margaret Cameron

Arni Baldwin Bardal of Innisfail died May 18 in the Dr. Richard Parsons Auxiliary Hospital, Red Deer, at the age of 86.

Mr. Bardal was born at Gardar, North Dakota, on Jan. 28, 1875, and moved with his parents to the Innisfail and Markerville districts in 1888. He married Stephanie Stephenson, daughter of the late Stephen G. Stephenson, in 1911 and they made their home in the Bearberry district near Markerville. The last few years he resided in the Autumn Glenn Lodge in Innisfail.

Arni Bardal was a life member of the Edmonton Icelandic Society and had presented the Society with an oil painting of the Historical home of his father-in-law, the famous poet the late Stephen G. Stephenson.

He was predeceased by his wife, Stephany, in 1940, a sister and three brothers. He leaves to mourn his death one son, Gester, and daughter-in-law and five grandchildren living at Fort Nelson, B.C.

Mr. Bardal's funeral service was held at the Eventide Chapel in Innisfail with the Rev. Mel Tucker officiating. Doris Eluik sang a farewell hymn. Interment took place in the family plot on the bank of Medicine River in the Stephenson Cemetery of Old HOLA near Markerville.

Sympathy is expressed by the Icelandic Society to his family and friends.

enquire when the closest bus leaving for the airport takes off.

DENMARK PLACES 1st IN CONTEST

The Scandinavian Centre held its annual queen crowning contest in the Viking Room of the Centre on Sunday evening June 6 with many interested persons attending.

Margaret Cameron was Mistress of Ceremonies and conducted the event in her capacity as Cultural Director for the Centre.

The reigning queen for 1970-71, Miss Linda Nelsen, gave an opening address in which she related her experiences and pleasures of being the Scandinavian Centre Queen for the past year. Afterward she was presented a free air ticket for a flight with Air Canada for sometime in September by Flight Director Paul Karvonen.

The five queen contestants were then introduced by Mrs. Cameron and each in turn gave a demonstration of their talents.

Miss Fay Holmlund, 19, Swedish representative, was first to come forward and she read an appropriate poem. Miss Holmlund is attending university at the U. of A. in Edmonton. Later she was presented a trophy by the president of the Vasa Lodge "Skandia", Lenart Petersson.

Miss Laurel Hafso, 16, Norway girl, came next and played a piano solo. She was presented a trophy by her father and president of The Sons of Norway "Solglyt", Stan Hafso.

Miss Doris Liimatainen, 16-year-old Finnish representative, then came forward to show her sketches expertly done in black and white. Sirkka Ristola, President of the Finnish Society, presented Doris with her trophy.

Miss Bonnie Halldorson, 17, representing Iceland, also played a piano solo for the audience. Her trophy was presented to her by the President of the Icelandic Society, Earl Valgardson.

Finally, and most certainly not least, came Susan Sorensen, 18, representative of Denmark. Susan is the daughter of ex-Scandinavian Centre director Kurt Sorensen. She showed a presentation of masterful sketches and paintings she had done, explaining how each one originated. She was presented with her preliminary trophy by the president of the Danish Society "Danial", Claus Jacobsen.

The trophy which each contestant received had inscribed on it "Scandinavian Princess '71". They also each received a corsage.

The girls were expertly dressed in their national costumes and each was a beautiful and talented representative of their respective countries. The contestants were then interviewed by the three judges of the contest. The judges were Mrs. Marian Heather, Mrs. Myrtle Costuros and Mr. Alf Fahlman.

Mrs. Heather is a student counselor and a high school teacher at

Ross Sheppard Composite High. Mrs. Costuros is a Regional Extension Co-ordinator Glacial Region for Toastmistress International as well as a saleslady for Melton Real Estate. Mr. Fahlman is a civil servant on the Utilities Board as well as District Governor of District 42 of Toastmasters International, a high position covering all of Alberta and Saskatchewan.

While the judges interviewed the contestants, coffee and cakes were served for the audience. Sometime later Mrs. Cameron came up to the microphone to introduce the judges, then the winner was announced.

This year's Scandinavian Centre Queen is Miss Susan Sorensen representing Denmark.

Miss Sorensen was ecstatically happy as she was crowned queen by ex-queen Linda Nelsen. The runner-up was Miss Fay Holmlund, the Swedish representative. The new Queen, the ex-Queen and the four Princesses gathered on the dais as the audience clapped and pictures were snapped and movies taken. Everyone enjoyed the whole event.

Sig Sorenson (no relation), Honorary President of The Scandinavian Centre, honoured Miss Sorensen with an address and presented her with The Scandinavian Centre Queen Trophy. She then gave a winning speech in which she thanked everyone for their support and vowing to be a good representative of the Scandinavian people.

Margaret Cameron wishes to thank the three judges and all the members who so kindly assisted by supplying baking and helping in so many ways to make the evening a very delightful occasion.

Everyone attending the Scandinavian Day Picnic at Victoria Park saw the Queen and her attendants at the stage show on July 1.

APOLOGIES

To Swedish Consul O. Sigurd Franzen for spelling his name incorrectly in the story on page 2. We should have checked our source more carefully.

SPLINTERS from the BOARD

By Claus Jacobsen

SCANDINAVIAN CENTRE QUEEN

This year the title Miss Scandinavian Centre Queen went to Denmark.

On Sunday, June 6, Miss Susan Sorensen was crowned Miss Scandinavian Centre Queen 1971 by retiring Queen Linda Nelsen who, during a short speech, told of her experiences as Queen in 1970. Linda will receive a trip to Sweden on an Air Canada Flight in September.

Susan Sorensen, who represented the Danish Society "Dania", was chosen from five lovely Scandinavian girls at a Coffee Party in the Viking Room of the Scandinavian Centre. First Runner-up was Miss Fay Holmlund from the Swedish Lodge. Each girl received a trophy for entering the contest and are now Scandinavian Princesses.

From Finland, Bonnie Halldorson and from Norway, Laurel Hafso.

The evening program and judging was arranged by Margaret Cameron, the Centre's Cultural Director.

The girls' first appearance was at the Picnic July 1.

CENTRE CHANGES

Even new buildings need remodelling. The Centre doesn't suffer from old age but stricter regulations have made it necessary to do a few changes in the kitchen, like a walk-in cooler and a dishwasher. They will be installed in the near future, to improve the catering facilities.

PRESIDENT HOLIDAYING

The President, Gunnar Thorvaldson, and wife Shirley, are on a holiday in Iceland on a flight from Winnipeg. We wish them a happy holiday.

SPECIAL GUEST

The Consul General was guest at an informal dinner at the home of Danish Consul K. Holm-Petersen, together with representatives from the Danish Ansgar Lutheran Church in Edmonton, the Danish Society and Provost P. Overgaard Thomsen of Toronto. Overgaard Thomsen stayed over in Edmonton on the way to a convention in Calgary.

RADIO REPORT

Listen to The Scandinavian Show on Radio Station CFCW every Saturday morning at 10:30 - 790 kc on your AM dial. The Scandinavian Centre Report is broadcast on this program at approximately 11:25 a.m.

Margaret Cameron will give the report in July. If you have something of interest for the broadcast, give her a call at 455-2064.



MARGARET CAMERON

The report during August will be given by Ellsworth Halberg.

LIST OF PASSENGERS ON FLIGHT NO. 36

Tero Aaltonen, Mr. and Mrs. Lauri K. Asikainen, Anita and Susan, Mrs. Annie Atterton, Nils Gunnar Berg, Daniel Bergstrom, Mr. and Mrs. Evert Bergstrom, Mr. Herman Bergstrom, Mrs. Vanja Bergstrom, Mr. William Boyer, Lilly and Mrs. Hedvig Erikson, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur C. Cook, Carey and Jary, Mrs. Harry Cooper, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Dickau, Dr. and Mrs. Eugene Dolinsky, Jeffrey, Gina and Karla, Gollack H. Ekse, Mr. and Mrs. Eric Engblom, Mrs. Bertha M. Erickson, Clarence L. and Margaret Erickson, Mrs. Ellen Erickson, Mr. M. P. Evenrude, Melvin and Marilyn Gellert, Ben U. Germundson, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Hafso, Arthur L. Hanson, Mrs. Helen Hanson, John and Esther Hogetveit, G. E. Holm, Mr. B. Holmgren, Mrs. Gertrude Holmgren and Debra McRae, Mr. and Mrs. Phillip A. Holmgren and Mrs. Bertha Handseth, Kaj Jensen, Otto and Kathleen Jacobsen, John A. Johanson, Arne I. and Selma Loraine Johansson, Mr. and Mrs. Emanuel Johnson, Mrs. Hazel Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Johnson, Henry and Hellevi Kangas, Mrs. Karitu Karmonen, Oscar E. Kempe, Mr. and Mrs. Bernie Kobitzsch, Mr. Nick Klem, Mrs. Irja Kuusela, Mr. Paul Kuzel, Mrs. Eva M. Leeuw, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford J. Leonhardt and Chris Tomsen, Swan and Elizabeth Lungren, Mrs. Bernice Matthews, Bendt Mathiessen, Mrs. Jenny Mcleod, Lloyd T. and Mrs. Melin, Harol L. Monson, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer W. Nelson, Johanna Wilhemina Nordin, Mrs. Anna Nurme, Miss Sirpa Nurme, Sten Alfred Nyberg, Mrs. Vivian G. Ogilvie, Mr.

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TOURIST TRAVEL IN 1970

In its annual report for 1970, the Norway Travel Association points out that during the decade 1960-1970 the volume of world tourist traffic doubled, while the tourist spending outside of the home country rose two and one-half times. Spending by foreign visitors in Norway tripled during the same period. In 1969, Norway's tourist earnings were \$128 million, whereas Norwegian tourists spent \$111 million abroad. The number of Americans visiting Norway the same year was 142,000, who spent a total of \$23 million. In 1970, Norwegian travel to countries outside Scandinavia rose by 8.2 per cent.

Consul O. S. Frnzen Knighted



**Swedish Consul
O. SIGURD FRNZEN**

His Majesty Gustav VI of Sweden announced at a cabinet meeting on June 6 the appointment of Consul O. S. Frnzen to Knighthood First Class in the Royal Order of Vasa (Riddare Vasa Orden).

This appointment is for long and meritorious service to Sweden in Canada.

Andrew B. Ericksen Killed In Crash

The president of Ericksen Datsun Ltd., Andrew B. Ericksen, was killed June 5 in a single car crash on a rural road south of Edmonton.

Mr. Ericksen, 67, of 14008 101st Ave., died when his car struck a bridge abutment near Pipestone.

Mr. Ericksen came to Canada from Norway in 1925, and began a trucking business with headquarters in Westlock. He sold the firm and started a bus company, which grew into a province-wide enterprise.

Called Sunburst Motor Coaches, the company owned 28 buses when Mr. Ericksen sold it 30 years later to International Utilities.

The company eventually was sold to Greyhound Bus Lines.

His son Grant had started a company called High Performance Enterprises located at 10982 101st St., and Mr. Ericksen became involved with it in the early 1960s. The name was subsequently changed to Ericksen Datsun.

He is survived by his wife, Mary, his son Grant, of 5408 97A Ave., the manager of Ericksen Datsun, and his daughters, Lenore and Karen both living at home.

On Books & Articles

Christmas in Norway, Past and Present, by Vera Henriksen. A book in the Tokens of Norway series (in English). An illustrated account of ancient Christmas traditions and of the way Christmas is celebrated today in the white "land of Christmas," Norway. A few Christmas recipes included. 63 pp. (Published by Tanum, Oslo and available from the Anundsen Book Center, Decorah, Iowa 52 and the Arthur Vanous Co., 20 Banta Place, Hackensack, N.J. 07601. Price \$3.00).

Norwegian Painting, A Survey, by Jan Askeland. A book in the Tokens of Norway series. A brief survey of Norwegian painting which gives an impression of the many-sidedness of Norwegian painting. Illustrations in black and white as well as in color. 75 pp. (Published by Tanum. See Above).

CHINA PLANNING TRADE DELEGATION

Communist China will send a trade delegation to Sweden next fall, it was reported.

HOW TO BE LIKED

Do not contradict people even if you are sure that they are wrong. Do not be inquisitive about the affairs of even your most intimate friends.

Do not under-rate anything because you do not possess it.

Do not believe that everybody else is happier than you.

Do not conclude that you never had any opportunities in life.

Do not believe all the evil you hear.

Do not repeat gossip even if it does interest a crowd.

Do not jeer at another person's religious belief.

Learn to attend to your own business.

Do not try to be anything else but a gentleman (or lady), and that means one who has consideration for the whole world and who tries to follow the precepts of the Golden Rule.

Nothing amazes us so much as the discovery of a person who thinks the editor knows something.

LETTERS

Dr. T. O. Walhovd, President of The Single Canada League in Edmonton, replied to a letter published in the Letters to the Journal column in the Edmonton Journal. This is that letter:

I would like to reply to the letter by Mr. R. Kravec regarding language, Mr. Thorson and the Single Canada League.

I am at a complete loss to understand how Mr. Kravec got the idea that Mr. Thorson or the League are opposed to multiculturalism or multilingualism or the opportunity of any Canadian to learn a foreign language. I know that Mr. Thorson is most heartily in favor of any ethnic group preserving its language and culture. He himself speaks French and has campaigned in federal elections and given many judgments in the French language. Members of our group came from numerous ethnic backgrounds and many, including myself, speak different languages.

What we are opposed to is the attempt that is being made to change the basic character of our country by making it a dual French-English nation with two official languages.

Except as provided in Section 133 of the B.N.A. Act, English is the official language of Canada despite all brainwashing to the contrary.

We believe that all Canadians stand on the basis of equality with one another in the enjoyment of their rights and the fulfilment of their duties, without any preferential treatment to members of any component of the Canadian nation.

We are heartily opposed to the use of public funds for the preferential promotion of any particular culture. The huge sums of money which are presently being spent on bilingualism and biculturalism will shortly be running into hundreds of millions of dollars. We believe this is irresponsible squandering of public funds which is depriving Canadians of many urgently-needed services and is adding another heavy financial burden to the already-overburdened Canadian taxpayer.

T. O. Walhovd
The Single Canada League,
Royal Trust Building

CENTRAL VOLUNTEER BUREAU You Can Help

A volunteer is needed to visit a 50 year old male and take him on outings if possible. Should be able to speak Finnish. Many volunteers needed in similar situations. Please call 422-6663 or 423-3366.

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NORWAY MAY SELL FILM SHIP

The 34-year-old Norwegian sailing ship Christian Radich, which appeared in the U.S. movie "Windjammer" in 1957, may be sold by the Norwegian merchant navy to make up a budget deficit.

SOLGLYT SPOTLIGHT



By Eleanor Anderson

COMING EVENTS

The Klondike Dance will be held on Sat. July 17 in the Viking Room at 8:30 p.m. Tickets can be obtained from any of the officers of the Lodge at \$3.00 each. Real Klondike style barbecued beef will be served after the dance.

A lodge picnic is slated for Aug. 15. Members will be notified of the location at a later date.

Your correspondent for June was Betty McKeivitt and not Henriette Johnsrude as printed. Thank you Betty and sorry about the error. (Editor's and printer's error).

General Meeting and Initiation was held on May 29. The following members were initiated: Peter and Ona Finstad and daughter Judy, Elmer Wifladt, Aage and Edith Paulsen and Mr. Solveig Hendriksen.

Interesting films on skiing were shown by Aage Paulsen. A hearty welcome to our new members and we will be looking forward to seeing you at our coming functions.

Delicious strawberry shortcake was served at the afternoon tea on Sun., May 30. Many of the old timers, as well as the young, enjoyed getting together for the afternoon. Music was supplied by the Rhythm Twins.

Scandinavian Princess '71



LAUREL HAFSO

An enjoyable evening was held on June 6 when the Crowning of the Scandinavian Centre Queen took place. Congratulations to the new Queen, Miss Susan Sorensen of the Danish Society and her Princess, Miss Fay Holmlund of the Swedish Society. The girls entertained by showing displays of their talents. Mr. Sig Sorensen ably presented the trophy to the Queen with inspiring words. Lunch and coffee were served. Thank you to Laurel Hafso representing the Sons of Norway.

Betty McKeivitt and her mother are motoring to Lake Tahoe and will also be visiting her sister in Portland.

Congratulations to Mr. John Fal-tinson who has received his driver's license for another two years at the young age of 90 years.

Bernard and Alf Olafson attended a golf tournament in Red Deer recently. Bernard was the pleased recipient of the door prize.

Mrs. Ann Halverson from Dawson Creek visited in Edmonton.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Sivertsen and family of Calgary spent the weekend with their mother, Mrs. Ragna Sivertsen.

Dr. and Mrs. Paul Gotaas are on a 6 week holiday in Europe. Dr. Gotaas is attending a dentist's convention in Germany and also hopes to visit relatives in Norway. Mr. Gotaas senior, will hopefully join them in Norway.

Dorothy Willmore is holidaying in New York.

Kay McDonald has been under the weather with a back ailment.

Mrs. Ann Humeny of Lloydminster visited with Kay and Bernard Olafson.

Selma Sorensen motored to Chauvin to visit her mother for a few days and also attend her niece's confirmation.

Torska Klubben wound up their season with their usual torsk dinner on June 1 with an enjoyable social hour.

Holgar Hansen of Kitimat visited with his brother Peter and the Bernard Olafson's recently.

Inge and Betty Anderson and family motored to Kline Lake.

Mrs. Howard Garstad and two children from Saude, Arabia, will be spending a few months with her mother-in-law, Mrs. Magna Garstad. They find the summer months too hot in Saude so enjoy spending them here.

Mrs. Mina McDonald and Jim will be motoring to North Dakota to celebrate her youngest sister's, Mrs. Alice Telander, golden wedding anniversary. They will also be seeing Mrs. McDonald's oldest sister, Mrs. Clara Hagness.

Grace and Dennis Cook with their son Leslie holidayed in Jasper. Leslie continued on to Meca Creek with his aunt and uncle.

Our former Sons of Norway Queen, Miss Cheryl Bakke, was married May 21 at Calvary Lutheran Church to Brian Baumann. They honeymooned at Banff and Jasper and will reside in Edmonton.

Mr. Tom Enevold has been appointed Full-Time Representative for Sons of Norway in Alberta, effective June 1, 1971. Mr. Enevold comes to us well qualified for his new position. He has been an underwriter, manager, and superintendent of agencies since 1954. He is Past President of the Central Alberta Life Insurance Association, 1963-64. He has been an active member and director of several Lions Clubs in Alberta. During his active career he took time to complete two years of L.U.A.T.C. (Life Underwriters Association Training Course). Mr. Enevold was born at Utsire, Norway, March 10, 1923. At the age of three his parents and family settled in the Camrose area.

In his life insurance experience he has travelled much of Alberta and is well known throughout the Province.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Dyrland on the arrival of a new grandson, Vaughn Lawrence. Weighed in at 10 lbs. 5 oz. and 23" long.

Some of our members travelling to Norway this summer are Mr. and Mrs. Selmer Olsonberg, Mr. and Mrs. Bert of Devon, Mrs. Molly Copper, Isabelle and Nels Mjaatveit, Arne and Mary Gulbrandsen, Kolbjorn Carlsen and son, Mr. and Mrs. Aage Paulsen and two sons, Mrs. Margrethe Larsen and son Sandy. Mrs. Tora Anderson will also be flying to Norway where she will meet her son Njaal Anderson and family from Sarnia, Ont., who will also be holidaying in Norway.

Those members who visited Mr. John Jansen while he was a patient at the Holyrood Nursing Home and the University of Alberta Hospital will be saddened to know that he passed away June 6. Pastor Walker officiated at the funeral attended by Knut Svidal, Bjorn Wibe, Arne Johannessen and Gunnar Gathe.



Sympathy is extended to the Ericksen family on the untimely passing of Brother Andrew Ericksen, president of Ericksen Datsun Ltd. and member of Solglyt 143 since 1941. The Sons of Norway exhibition float builders will remember the kindness extended by Brother Ericksen when they were given the use of his Sunburst Motor Coach garage to build the floats. Pastor Osbourne Olsen officiated at a funeral filled to capacity by his relatives, friends and employees. He is survived by his wife Mary, his son Grant and his daughters, Lenore and Karen, two grandchildren and one brother and two sisters in Norway.

JUNIOR LODGE NEWS

Birthday Greetings to Lyndon Domstad.

The young people enjoyed a most slushy weekend on their campout at Gull Lake.

Next month's reporters will be Min and Stan Hafso. Please phone 435-8964 with your news items.

Happenings In Alberta

From "Viking"

VALHALLA 341, Calgary, Alberta. Twenty-five Brownies enjoyed a Norwegian smorgasbord in Calgary. The group of young girls is headquartered in Balzac, north of Calgary. They gather together every two weeks under the leadership of District Commissioner Mrs. Harold Wooliams. This year they are studying the country and culture of their fellow members in Norway, and their trip to Calgary enabled them to sample Norwegian food and examine Norwegian handicrafts. The menu included "karbonader", "flatbrod", "tilsloredet bondepiker", and "krumkaker".

One of the girls exclaimed, when receiving a "krumkake": "Oh, look at the big potato chip!" They were given the opportunity to examine photographs of Norwegian scenery. The event was planned by the staff of the Viking Cafeteria: Thora Matkin, head cook and Mary Glendinning, manager. Donna Glendinning, Christine Glendinning and Bruce Mjolsness assisted. The Viking Cafeteria is operated by Norse



Mr. Tom B. Enevold

S. A. Sorensen, Regional Manager of Sons of Norway in Alberta, is pleased to announce the appointment of Mr. Tom B. Enevold as a Full-Time Representative.

Mr. Enevold is well qualified for his new position. Since 1954 he has been very active in the life insurance business, having served as underwriter, manager, and superintendent of agencies. During his active career he has completed the two-year course of L.U.A.T.C. (Life Underwriters Association Training Course). He has been an active member of and director of several Lions Clubs in Alberta.

Mr. Enevold was born in Utsire, Norway, March 10, 1923. At the age of three his parents and family settled in the Camrose area. He presently resides at Fort Saskatchewan.

Voss Summer School and Nansenskolen Norway

The eighth annual Voss Summer School of Fine Arts will take place at the Voss Folk High School, August 1-8. The course, directed by the British painter Jeremy Moon, will focus on some of the basic problems of being an artist. The art student who wants to take the first steps towards a properly guided understanding of the working methods of the professional painter of our day, should find the Voss Summer School a direct and inspiring introduction.

Nansenskolen (the Nansen School) in Lillehammer invites foreign students with college-level studies in the Norwegian language to participate in its four week summer course, August 1 - August 28. The course will focus on the cultural situation in Norway and especially on the interaction between the old and new, the foreign and the familiar. All lectures and discussions are in Norwegian.

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VASA LODGE SKANDIA

By Joyce Hawkes

The June 5 meeting was held in the Club House at Pigeon Lake. The meeting was chaired by Vice Chairman Leonard Eliasson in the absence of Lennart Petersson, Chairman.

Visitors to our meeting were as follows:

Olaf and Selma Kvarnberg of Tryg Lodge, Muskegan, Michigan; Bob and Yvonne Nelson from Oscar Borg Lodge No. 172 in Philadelphia. We received some very cordial invitations from them to visit their lodges (the coffee pot is always on). Emil and Lillie Kvarnberg from Buford Lodge also visited us. Bob and Yvonne informed us that they are moving to Victoria. They extended greetings from the past editor of the Vasa Star — Daniel and Esther Bergers.

Members reported sick were as follows:

Winnie Pearson, Evelyn Modin,

Audrey Eliasson, Elov Linden, John Jerratt, Oscar Pearson, M. Skoog, Clarence Knutsen.

Our bowling team lost by 9 points in the District Bowling. Better luck next time!

Sympathy goes out to:

Sister Emma Nelson in the loss of a brother; to Brother Don Hazelwood in the loss of his father; Sister Vera Hyde in the loss of a brother; and to Sister G. Gidlas in the loss of her mother.

Svea Erickson extended her "thank you" for all the nice things done for her when she was ill.

Betty Pearson, with the assistance of Martha Kay, will provide the Vasa News in the Scandinavian Centre news for July and August. Your present correspondent, being one of those lucky school teachers, will be on holiday. Betty's phone number is 455-5988.

Elsie Comin made a very successful walk in the Miles for Millions. Good for you Elsie!

Children's Week will end Saturday night rather than Friday, as previously announced. 14-year-olds will be included.

Our Cultural Leader, Bengt Kristiansen told us that he has many activities in mind, among them are Swedish Language lessons, dancing lessons, sewing lessons, special speakers, films, etc. Swedish language lessons will begin at once, at the Lake, Sunday mornings at 10:30. All are welcome. A weaving loom is to be sent for from Sweden and weaving is to be taught.

Lunch was served by Anna Roose, Matt Eliasson and Linnea Lodge and it was very good as usual. The Sports Club sponsored a dance following the meeting and it was enjoyed by all who attended.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Saturday, July 3 —

Regular monthly meeting to be held in the Club House at Pigeon Lake at 7:30 p.m. The officers of 1971 will organize the entertainment.

Saturday, August 7 —

Regular monthly meeting at the Club House at Pigeon Lake, at 7:30 p.m. The Land Committee will organize the entertainment.

VASA GLIMPSES

Linnea and Henry Lodge and Evelyn Johnson visited the Gus and Janet Carlson home in Laramie, Wyoming. Greetings were sent from these people who are both Grand Deputies—he in Rawlins, Wyoming, and she in the Rocky Mountain District.

The Watson picnic on Sun., June 6 was postponed because of rain. However, the lunch was well attended and just delicious.

Brian Johnson will be married on Fri., June 18. The newly weds will be flying to Europe for three weeks.

Millie and Emil Weiss are back from their overseas trip. They reported an enjoyable time. The thirty hours they had without sleep on the way back were a little trying however.

Harold Lundgren's brother-in-law died recently. Harold was here from Saskatoon.

Betty and Magnus Pearson were in Lethbridge for 3 days visiting Mr. & Mrs. Fred Skoog and children.

REMEMBER: Betty Pearson for news for July and August. Phone 455-5988.

**Hairnets For
Swedish Soldiers**

Platoon leaders will soon order into service the newest equipment issued to Swedish armed forces — a brownish wide-mesh hairnet for long-haired servicemen.

Effective June 1, the army has ordered draftees — and other soldiers — to wear hairnets on duty if their hair is so long that it interferes with their work or presents a safety hazard. This means hair that might blow in the eyes or fall across the collar or down the sides and become caught in weapons or machinery.

"It is simply a matter of safety at work," explained Lt. Col. J. C. Ugglä, welfare officer on the defence staff in Stockholm.

"Our young Swedish assembly-line workers already wear hairnets to reduce the risk of accidents," he continued. "We're just doing the same. It has nothing to do with long hair itself. That is a matter of integrity of personality."

Some Swedes, however, suspect the army of a subtle manoeuvre to discourage long hair by subjecting soldiers to the ignominy of containing their locks with a net. But if forced to choose between the net and the barber, the men are expected to take the net.

"Long hair is a break in the military style," acknowledged the colonel, a short-back-and-side man himself. "I personally do not think it is beautiful, and the minister of defence does not think it is beautiful."

"But practically every boy in Stockholm has long hair. Hair is a personality matter, and they should do as they want with it. There is no discipline problem. We have boys with long hair fighting and shooting and jumping in the water."

"We say it is not what is in the hair but what is under the hair."

"All we ask," he continued, "is that it be combed and clean."

HE DID IT!

Somebody said that it couldn't be done,

But he with a chuckle replied That "maybe it couldn't", but he would be one

Who wouldn't say so till he'd tried.

So he buckled right in with the trace of a grin

On his face. If he worried he hid it.

He started to sing as he tackled the thing

That couldn't be done, and he did it.

Somebody scoffed: "Oh, you'll never do that;

At least no one ever has done it";

But he took off his coat and he took off his hat,

And the first thing we knew he'd begun it.

With a lift of his chin and a bit of a grin,

Without any doubting or quiddit, He started to sing as he tackled the thing

That couldn't be done, and he did it!

There are thousands to tell you it cannot be done,

There are thousands to prophesy failure;

There are thousands to point out to you, one by one,

The dangers that wait to assail you.

But just buckle in with a bit of a grin,

Just take off your coat and go to it;

Just start to sing as you tackle the thing

That "cannot be done", and you'll do it.

— Edgar A. Guest.

Prejudice is a great timesaver. It enables you to form opinions without bothering to get the facts.

**New Air Service
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Northerly Lapp**

Linjeflyg, Sweden's domestic airline, has inaugurated flights to Gallivare, centre of the colourful Lapp traditions, sports fishing and iron mining some 50 miles north of the Arctic Circle.

Gallivare, within the magic realm of the Midnight Sun, is in the centre of all the natural wonders of Northern Scandinavia — fishing, mountain climbing, hiking and camping among the unspoiled rivers, lakes and mountainous national parks of Sweden's northerly province of Norrbotten.

Bush pilots in Gallivare fly fishing parties to rich waters where angling for salmon, trout, char and grayling is among the best in the North. The pilots also offer spectacular sightseeing flights to Scandinavia's highest mountains nearby.

Postal bus routes fan out in the peaceful countryside to such dramatic points as Stora Sjöfallet, a 120-foot high waterfall that is one of Sweden's most imposing natural wonders. In Scandinavia, all mail buses also carry passengers.

Up in Sweden's mountain world, Stora Sjöfallet is at about the halfway mark of the country's famed "Kungsleden" (The Royal Trail), a 150-mile marked path through the mountains of Lapland. In his day, Dag Hammarskiöld was among the faithful followers of The Royal Trail.

For winter sports enthusiasts the region has been developed for skiers with trails and slopes that remain open well into spring. Snowmobiling has also caught on as a local sport.

Around Gallivare the Lapps, the original inhabitants of the area with proud traditions as nomadic reindeer herders, cluster in villages where their age-old handicrafts of reindeer bone and hide are among Sweden's most prized souvenirs.

The Lapps, clad in bright costumes of red, blue and yellow, often serve as guides for visitors to the quiet, rolling landscape.

And nearby is Malmberget (The Iron Mountain), source of much of Sweden's rich iron ore where tourists can visit the underground mines.

News In Brief

A system of custom preferences for the developing countries will be introduced by Norway, according to a Government proposal which has been submitted to the Storting. Ninety-one developing nations have so far been included in a list of nations which will benefit from the system.

A road project near Lake Rudolf, Kenya, which will cost 30 million kroner, will receive Norwegian financial support in the amount of 15 million kroner.

H.R.H. Princess Anne of Great Britain visited Oslo on June 3-7. Princess Anne attended the celebration of the "Save the Children" organization's 25th anniversary on June 4.

Nor-Shipping 71, the largest international exhibition ever to take place in Norway, attracted 300 exhibitors from 20 countries.

"Song of Norway" will be presented by a non-profit group of Mt. Horeb, Wisconsin at an outdoor amphitheater for the fifth season. Most of the participants are Norwegian or of Norwegian descent. The musical will be performed every night from June 26 through July 31. For further information, write to Song of Norway Festival, Ltd., Box 112, Mt. Horeb, Wisconsin 53572.

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BUFORD NEWS

By Wanda Markstedt

"Bon Voyage" wishes to Ray and Ellen Pearson and Melvin and Marilyn Gellert who flew to Sweden for a month's holiday.

Beverley Kvarnberg attended the annual Reunion of 4-H Award Winners held at Lake Edith close to Jasper.

Karen Pearson spent several days in the Leduc hospital to undergo a series of tests.

In spite of the damp weather several members of Buford Lodge attended the wiener roast sponsored by the Nordstjernen Lodge and held at Reno Havanka's home.

Hilda Modin, Floyd and Peggy Modin, George and Doris Modin, Bert and Toots Pearson, Arnold and Ruth Eklund, Albin and Wanda Markstedt, Hans and Liz Wengberg and Irma Anderson wish to thank the hosting lodge for a very enjoyable evening.

Olaf and Selma Kvarnberg of Muskegan, Michigan arrived by plane to visit with Emil and Tillie Kvarnberg in Buford. Olaf and Emil are cousins who had lost touch with each other many years ago until Olaf and Selma's name appeared in the Vasa Star two years ago. Tillie and Emil immediately began a correspondence and followed this up with a visit to Muskegan last summer. Olaf and Selma are very active members of the Trygg Lodge No. 536 of Muskegan.

Plans for the District Convention are being finalized and the members are looking forward to welcoming delegates from all the other lodges to this affair. Our thanks, also, to District Master John Holmlund for his assistance in arranging the program.

Everyone is looking forward also to our annual wiener roast in July - the date not having been set yet.

Andrew Beck, a 25-year member attended the Nordstjernen wiener roast in Falun on Saturday and enjoyed it very much.

The Prime Ministers of the five Nordic countries met in Oslo on June 8 to discuss the further negotiations on the expansion of the Common Market.

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DANIA DOINGS



By Vera Nielsen

A Klondike Dance will be held on Fri., July 23. This should be a lot of fun provided you come to enjoy yourself and dress up in Klondike Finery. We will be dancing to the Music of the Million-Aires. See this paper for time and date. Bring your friends and make up your mind to have a lot of fun.

Hope everybody will enjoy their holiday, wherever you decide to go or even rest at home. We hope the weather will be nice and you have a good time.

"BIKUBEN" will not meet in July, but on Aug. 16 when we should all be back from holidays. We will be busy preparing things for Christmas, etc, so we hope you will all come and maybe bring a friend with you.

News from the Danish Church

By O. Filtenborg

SUMMER CAMP

For the fourth time the two Danish congregations in Alberta (Edmonton and Calgary) invite children to summer camp at Sylvan Lake. The camp is for children from 6 to 12 years, and it will be in the week from Aug. 14 to 21. The camp will be directed by pastor Staal Nielsen, Calgary, and a good staff of voluntary workers from both cities will take care of kitchen, activities, etc. The fee will again only be \$18. The fee is kept as low as possible to give most children a chance to come, thanks to food donations and the voluntary staff. The

Lutheran Bible camp is located at a very beautiful spot at Sylvan Lake. There will be lots of swimming in supervised areas, games, exercises, Bible-hours, campfire, etc. There is a place for 70 children, about 35 from each city. You will find a registration slip at another place in this newspaper. In Edmonton it should be sent to Mrs. Nanna Knudsen, 4908 - 115 St., Edmonton. Further information can be obtained from Pastor Filtenborg, phone 469-6123, or Mrs. Nanna Knudsen phone 434-1550. Cheques should be payable to Danish Summer Camp Fund. Final date for registration is Aug. 1.

Guest speakers during the summer months.

Because Pastor Filtenborg will be away from July 16 to Sept. 30 (holiday and work for DKU in Denmark) there will be some changes in the services during the summer. In July all the services will be at 11 a.m., the first two in Danish and the last two in English. The guest speaker at the English services will be Pastor Holger Madsen from Sherwood Park and the guest speaker at the Danish services, when pastor Filtenborg is away, will be pastor Staal Nielsen from Calgary. In case of baptismal, wedding, or funeral or for any other reason for which a pastor is needed, contact one of the pastors or the congregation's president Jacob Pedersen, phone 423-3965.

Baptismals:

Bonnie Guldbrand, daughter of Erling and Florence Guldbrand. Tanis Dawn Hansen, daughter of Donald and Margrethe Hansen. Kristen Peter-Norgaard Gregersen, son of Leif and Beverley Gregersen.

Weddings:

Svend B. Nielsen and Lili Corbett, both of Edmonton. Bjarne L. Laursen and Birthe Roemer, both of Edmonton. Percy Mikkelsen and Elizabeth Mandell, both of Edmonton. Congratulations.

Funerals:

Kristian Emil Mogensen (May 12), Karl Martin Hansen (May 21) and Walter Leire (June 1). Honoured be their memory.

THE CROWNING GLORY



The Scandinavian Centre Queen, Miss Susan Sorensen, representing the Danish people, is crowned by the retiring Queen, Miss Linda Nelsen.

The Life Of A Queen

By Susan Sorensen

My life began in Edmonton on Feb. 3, 1953, when I was born to my parents, Kurt and Herdis Sorensen. It was quite a shock to both of them when they saw me because I looked more like a roly poly fair haired Eskimo child rather than a Scandinavian baby.

I'm a very fortunate girl to have such a beautiful family. My little brother, John, who is fifteen now, is a far out person.

As for travelling, I have done some but would really like to do a lot more. I've been to Denmark twice, Hawaii and parts of the western States, but, unfortunately, I haven't seen too much of Canada.

I finished my grade twelve in February and right now I'm working at the Burger King. This September I'm moving to Calgary to attend the Alberta College of Art for four years. I'd like to become a painter but who knows by that time I might be a sculptor or potter.

I'm involved with the Jesus People Army now and really love it.

The list of hobbies I like to do is quite extensive. Some of these are painting, sculpturing, embroidering and sailing.

I've done a lot of things in 18 years and am looking forward to living the rest of my life to the fullest.

gilde.

If you're very wealthy — even if it's only for a couple of hours — it is a great joy to eat other Danish seafood like oysters, salmon, lobster, crayfish, sardines in oil, smoked eel which ought not to be confused with snake, and finally, the Danish national dish, shrimps. The shrimps are very small. They are not, however, baby shrimps as some believe, but full-grown. They are peeled by people the restaurants hire especially for that purpose and they are served on dark rye bread, light rye bread or white bread with butter.

If one wishes to eat a characteristic Danish meal without using all one's currency, then one must point out the Danish specialties like frikadeller — risolles; biksemad — hash; labskovs — a kind of meat and potato stew; stegt lever — fried liver; and gule aerter — thick yellow split-pea soup.

Talking about Danish food one thing must be borne in mind: To a Dane, it is not sufficient that a meal is excellently cooked, it has to be served in a decorative and appetizing way.

A good example of the close relation between eye and palate is the well known Danish "Smorrebrod" — Danish open sandwiches.

Smorrebrod consists of a slice of bread and there is no limit to how many different kinds of bread one may use. Butter is spread on it or in some instances pork dripping. On top of that may be put anything eatable in the world, all the way from herring and eggs to salad and cheese, from meat and sausage to oysters and shrimps, from fish to goose liver paste, from salami to smoked eel.

Once in a while, there are several things on each piece of bread and the combinations are built on a hundred years of tradition. But one need not speculate over that because all the restaurants have long sandwich lists from which a hungry patron may choose among hundreds of different sorts of sandwiches.

It should just be mentioned that Danish sandwiches are eaten by cutting through the whole work of art and not by pulling it all apart and taking each thing separately. That system simply destroys the whole idea and it makes the spectators, to say nothing of the artist who made it, sit down and

DENMARK

Food and Drink

and why one must think twice about this problem.

When one travels in a strange country, the problem of food can be solved by going into the most expensive restaurants and ordering Lobster Newburg, a Filet of Sole a la Bonne Femme (who is that good wife who always pops up on the menu?), a Canard a l'Orange, and something so beastly as an Omelet Surprise or the fine flavoured and fattening Crepes Suzette along with dry champagne or a chateau Bordeaux '29 to wash it all down. That can be done quite easily in Denmark, too. But, for one thing, it really isn't very exciting and, for another, it is mighty expensive. Therefore, let's ignore all the international dishes and be satisfied with talking about what is peculiar to the Danish menu — both good and bad.

The favorite Danish foods are:

1) Hakkebof med log — hamburger steak with onions. If it is to be as Danish as possible, it will wear a fried egg on top, sunny side up.

2) Flaeskesteg — roast pork with crackling baconrind, served with red cabbage and potatoes.

3) Kotelet, which may be a cutlet of pork with pickled beets or red cabbage and potatoes, or a veal cutlet served with mixed vegetables.

4) Engelsk bof — English Beef,

which means a steak without a bone. It has to be served with browned onions and white potatoes.

5) Danish fowl.

Just because fish is better in Denmark than in most other places in the world (a result of our bright idea that it must be served freshly-caught), most Danes don't consider fish a meal at all. To be sure, they allow themselves to be trapped into eating rodspætte (plaice) a couple of times a year and they do get around to eating herring just before pay-day. One exception is made for torsk (that's codfish) which is eaten in all the months that are spelled with an "r". Now and then a Dane will have a cod-fish party which he calls a torske-



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Denmark Seems Sure Of Entry Into ECM

Denmark seems sure of entry into the European economic community, said Flemming Agerup, Royal Danish Consul General, during a visit to Edmonton, recently.

Mr. Agerup, who has been responsible for Denmark's affairs in all of Canada from an office in Montreal, said it appeared that Britain had passed the main hurdle in entering the Common Market. He expects if Britain is granted entry, then Denmark will also join the free-trade community.

For Denmark, entry into the Common Market could help offset a serious balance of payments crises currently faced by the nation of 5,000,000 people.

"We have not had a good balance of payments for years," said Mr. Agerup, whose training is in economics.

Trade with Canada is of major importance to Denmark, said Mr. Agerup. Canada is the second largest industrial market outside of Eu-

rope and takes \$30,000,000 worth of goods annually.

Alberta, where an estimated 30,000 Danish immigrants live, is considered a growing market for Danish prepared food, glassware, silver, furniture, and clothing. Mr. Agerup says industrial exports from Denmark, including electronics and refrigeration equipment, should also find a market in Alberta.

To help marketing in Alberta, a Danish trade officer has been appointed to handle Alberta and B.C. from Vancouver.

Mr. Agerup, who spent 5½ years as deputy chief Danish Consul General in Washington before coming to Canada 15 months ago, visited Premier Harry Strom and Mayor Ivor Dent during his first visit to Edmonton.

He met with members of the Edmonton Chamber of Commerce before travelling on to Regina and Winnipeg.

New Tour Program Opens Up Scandinavian Pioneering

A travel workshop program designed to give interested Canadian groups close insights into the pioneering experience of the Scandinavian countries in environmental protection has been announced by Scandinavian Airlines, in cooperation with some 30 involved agencies and industries in Sweden, Denmark and Norway.

According to Hans J. Dedekam, Area Manager, Canada, for SAS, "the Environmental Control Workshops in Scandinavia will open up what has become the world's laboratory for advanced thought and action in environmental matters for a really serious and intensive examination."

"We feel they will be very useful to Canadian industries, government units, labor unions, professionals, educators and concerned citizens who want to see how a quarter century of Scandinavian experience can be applied to our own problems here."

The Scandinavian Workshops offer programs which can be specially tailored to the size and specific interests of the groups concerned.

Although Denmark exports cheese and ham for millions of Danish kroner, quite a lot of these delicacies remain in Denmark to the great delight of all gourmets as well among the Danes themselves as among the thousands of tourists visiting Denmark every year.

People do drink wines in Denmark, but perhaps it cannot be denied that wine is really for globetrotters and the wealthy. There are three national drinks: Danish Aalborg Akvavit which is strongly seasoned and excellent; Cherry Heering — the world famous Danish cherry liqueur, delicious with coffee and also with cheese or over ice cream; and the Danish beer which is considered to be some of the very best in the civilized world — and perhaps in the uncivilized as well since it is, after all, exported everywhere.

One drinks Tuborg Beer when one is thirsty; when one just feels like having a drink; when the weather is warm, or when one eats because we think meals taste better with beer, and they do, too. There is Lager and Export Beer, which is stronger, as well as Stout and other luxury beers. And although it may sound arrogant, you have no idea how Danish it tastes until you have tried it yourself.

cerned and last from seven to 15 days, including travel time from Montreal.

Content includes work sessions and visits to plants and laboratories concerned with air, water and noise pollution control, as well as seminar meetings with Scandinavian authorities on legislation and enforcement, government-industry relationships, joint research effort, economic implications and the like.

"There's much more to this Scandinavian experience than hardware, or seeing how lakes can be revitalized, or oil spills cleared up, or a community's waste turned into heat," Mr. Dedekam emphasizes. "It shows how radical ideas can actually be turned into profit in the pulp, paper, chemical and food industries; it has turned up intriguing new economic incentives and approaches; it has made partners of industries and local authorities, and it has underlined the areas in which international solutions are vital."

Hokan Berggren, Director of the Swedish Information Service, said "the cooperating public and private bodies in Scandinavia are happy to open their doors to these Workshops because we know that a good environment is like a seamless coat: it cannot be achieved in one or two countries alone and we must all work at it. If we have achieved anything in the last 25 years, or learned anything from our failures, we are more than willing to share the experience with others."

Cost of Workshop programs depend on the size and nature of the group, the specific itinerary, the time of the year and any options.

For a group flying from Montreal to the most comprehensive of the sample Workshops — a 15-day program in Oslo, Gothenburg, Stockholm, Malmo, Lund and Copenhagen and including group air fare, first class hotels, most meals, transfers and guides for sightseeing tours — the cost can be as little as \$695 U.S. per person. Prices for other Workshop programs could be less.

Iceland Swings To Far Left

The coalition government of Prime Minister Johann Hafstein resigned June 14 after a general election swing to the far left. Only the Communist party and a Communist splinter group gained seats.

Final results show the biggest casualty was the Social Democratic Labor party, junior partner in the coalition with Hafstein's Conservative Independence party. It lost six of its nine seats in the 60-seat Althing while the Independence party lost one of its 23.

ICELANDIC NEWSLETTER

By Mrs. Ninna Campbell

COMING EVENTS

July 1: Scandinavian Picnic at Victoria Park.

Mrs. Eunice Band from Winnipeg has been visiting her sisters Clara Johnson and Edith Deverill. She was accompanied by her son Colin.

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Roy and Margaret Kolton and children Rob, Rhonda and Corinne travelled to Radium Hot Springs on the weekend of May 24.

Congratulations to Beverly Arason on being one of the top 30 students at McNally High. Beverly is the daughter of Beulah and Walter Arason.

Mr. Norman Oliver of Selkirk, Man., was visiting his daughter Norma Haggerty of Sherwood Park last month.

Thanks to Bonnie Halldorson for representing the Icelandic Society in The Scandinavian Queen Contest. Bonnie is the daughter of Bill and Thora Halldorson.

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John Deverille and son Stephen have gone to Brandon, Man., to work for Banister Pipelines.

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Tom and Hulda Yelic and son Mark are holidaying at Gimli, Man.

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Ben Jonsson has joined the Cosmopolitan Band. In addition to playing in the Westminster School Band, Ben is kept busy delivering papers and playing baseball.

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Our condolences to Mrs. Paul Sveinson, Mrs. George Fitch and Kristin Grimson of Burnt Lake on the loss of their brother Einar Einarson.

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We were saddened to hear of the passing of Arni Bardal of the Autumn Glen Home, Innisfail, Alta. Our sympathy is extended to his family.

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Clara Jonsson attended a convention of the Toast Mistress Club in Edmonton. Delegates came from the western provinces and the United States.

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Gunnar and Shirley Thorvaldson, Lorne and Lillian MacPherson and Shirley Thorsteinson left Winnipeg on June 2 on a flight to Iceland. On the same flight were Mr. & Mrs. Joe Johansson, Mrs. Regina Johansson and Mr. Steini Bodvarson of Markerville and Mrs. Margaret Neilson of Eckville, Alta. Gunnar's mother reports they are having a wonderful time visiting with relatives and touring the country.

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The weatherman pulled his traditional Icelandic picnic caper by sending rain and clouds on the picnic area. A few hardy souls braved the elements and enjoyed

Danes To Limit Salmon Fishing

Fisheries Minister Jack Davis announced that Denmark has agreed to limit the number of fishing vessels taking Canadian-spawned Atlantic salmon off west Greenland.

The forecast for 1971 is 10 vessels, he told the Commons, compared with 15 in 1969 when they took some 2,000 tons of salmon, the equivalent of the entire commercial catch on Canada's East Coast. Mr. Davis said he expected the Danish catch of salmon off west Greenland to decline this year and help to alleviate the severe depletion of stocks for Canadian fishermen.

a cup of hot coffee poured by Mike Johnson. A baseball game was held between showers, as well as the races and peanut scramble. We welcome newcomers Glen and Judy Taverner and son Kenny — a rainy welcome, but a warm one!

Barney Eyford is back in Edmonton, but unfortunately he is in the Charles Camell Hospital. He was flown in from Hay River for a rest and check-up. He would be pleased to have some of his friends visit him.

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FINNISH SOCIETY



By Anne Sahuri

"My sincere thanks to my friends and to Finnish Society for the flowers I received while in hospital recently." Maria Utunen

Congratulations and best wishes to Mr. & Mrs. Matti Moisio on the birth of their son, Markus Matti, on May 22.

"We wish to express our most sincere thanks to all the friends and neighbors and to Finnish Society for the floral tributes and the kindness we received during the recent bereavement of our husband, father

and grandfather, Pekka Utunen. Special thanks to Pastor J. Kruger, Mr. & Mrs. T. Nahkuri, Mr. & Mrs. V. Leino, Mr. J. Rama, Mr. T. Leino and Mr. V. Ristola."

-Maria Utunen and
Anne, John, Tim & Dick Sahuri

Mr. & Mrs. Tauno Salomaa and Anita traveled through British Columbia visiting Vancouver, traveling to the west coast of Vancouver Island and also stopping in Kelowna. They had beautiful holiday weather throughout their trip and looked happy and it seems that they found something special in B.C.

Congratulations to Kathy Arsenault on her win of the Journal's writing contest in advanced writers category. Kathy is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Onni Virtanen.

A surprise birthday party was held on June 5 to honor Mrs. Toini Virtanen on her special birthday. Many friends came to wish Happy Birthday to Toini, who received gifts and flowers during the evening.

"My heart felt thanks to all my friends and to Finnish Society for flowers, gifts, cards and songs I received during my recent birthday party. It made me very happy to see all of you come out and wish me Happy Birthday in such a nice way. Special thanks to Sivia Vesäläinen, Marja Laine and Anja Sahuri."

-Toini Virtanen

During their recent holiday trip to United States, Mrs. Betha Rama of Edmonton and her sister Mrs. Jenny Tikkanen of Rich Lake, visited their old school friends in McCall, Idaho, where they left 58 years ago to come to Alberta. Then it took six weeks of travelling in a covered wagon to come to Alberta and now when they went back to visit it only took about a day to reach McCall. They also visited Mr. & Mrs. M. Demers in Missonvijo, Calif. Mrs. Demers is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Rama. On their way back home they stopped in Calgary to visit Mr. & Mrs. J. Koivuneva. Mrs. Koivuneva is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tikkanen.

Mr. Eino Tikkanen of Rich Lake, Alta., left recently to visit his daughter Mrs. Plamondon and family in Quesnel, B.C.

"Thank you to all my friends and to Finnish Society for flowers, cards and visits I received during my recent stay in hospital."

-Tuula Moisio

A surprise baby shower was held recently by Mrs. Mary Karvonen to honor Mrs. Terttu Sauve. Terttu is the daughter of Mrs. K. Kammonen. The baby-to-be received many lovely gifts and everyone enjoyed the delicious luncheon served by Mrs. Karvonen.

Saunas Are In

THE SAUNA is something of an institution to the Finnish people, and has been for some two thousand years. It has no equivalent and cannot be duplicated. The fundamental principle of the sauna is the cleansing and toning of the body through perspiration. The sauna room must therefore be well built and insulated to retain the high heat obtained from your Sauna heater. The walls and ceiling can be insulated with styrofoam or glass wool with aluminum foil or polyethylene for a vapour barrier. Cedar is the preferred wood for the walls and ceilings inside the sauna room as the wood does not have to be treated with any coating of any type. The sauna bathers sit and relax on elevated benches which are usually on two levels, depending on the size of the sauna room.



PEKKA UTUNEN

In Memory of My Father, Mr. Pekka Utunen

On May 19th, 1971 our husband, father and grandfather, Pekka Utunen, passed away suddenly at home.

He was born at Kurkijoki, Finland, on August 2nd, 1912, where he spent his childhood and early adulthood. He and Maria Polkki were married also at Kurkijoki in 1935 and their only daughter was born there too.

After living a while in Viipuri he and the family moved to Tikka-koski where he stayed until his move to Edmonton in 1951.

Pekka Utunen was an eager sportsman and nature lover, turning more into spectator sports in later years. In Edmonton he was a well known fisherman having won many trophies in ice fishing.

He had a fascination to metal work since he was a young boy. After completing a machinists course in Viipuri, he worked as a machinist and was a milling machine operator for over 30 years.

He was one of the organizing members of Finnish Society of Edmonton serving in the executive for many years and to the end was a good supporter of the same.

Pekka Utunen was a good and much loved husband, kind father and grandfather. He will be greatly missed and his memory will always be cherished by his wife Maria Utunen, daughter Anja (Anne), son-in-law John Sahuri and grandsons Tim and Dick Sahuri. He will also be missed by two sisters Mrs. Vappu Schwartz and Mrs. Maria Ronkkonen in Finland, nephews and nieces in Finland, one nephew in Vancouver and by many friends here in Canada and in Finland.

Funeral services were held on May 25th, 1971, at Foster and McGarvey Funeral Chapel with Pastor J. Kruger officiating, cremation followed and ashes were buried at Westlawn Memorial Park.

"Sua Kohti Herrani, Sua Kohti ain. Mua Joskin ahdistaa Luoksies risti vain Kuitenkin laulun soi taalla kulkeissain; Sua kohti herrani, sua kohti ain."

Kun taival Paattynyt on viimeinen, kun sielu taivaaseen liitaa riemuiten, ei tuskat yltaa voi, kirkkana laulu soi; Sua kohti Herrani, Sua kohti ain."

- A. Sahuri.

Water is then later thrown on the hot stones and when the pleasant tingling heat envelopes you, you can really begin to relish the heat from a Sauna heater. The stones should be of sufficient depth to obtain the true atmosphere of a sauna. A shallow bed of few rocks cannot create this true sauna atmosphere. The sauna room should have a drain to facilitate cleaning the sauna room. If space does not permit a shower can be placed in the sauna room, however the ideal is to have the shower located in another room.

NIGHT LIFE IN SCANDINAVIA

The Scandinavians are a fun loving people. Night and day. And no matter which country you're in, you'll find a great variety of places to go and things to do for some after dark fun.

Most of all of the cities have a full program of concerts and theater. And the Royal Danish Ballet Company in Copenhagen and the Royal Swedish Ballet Company in Stockholm are world famous. And because the Scandinavians love American musicals, you'll find some of Broadway's biggest hits playing in almost every city.

A good way to find out about what's happening and what's playing in the city you're in is to ask the Hall Porter at your hotel. Or stop in at the local Tourist Information Centre. They have free booklets containing information on programs and events for that week. Here's a random sampling of after dark fun spots that will help you pick a place where you can meet the Spirit of Scandinavia face to face.

Denmark

In Copenhagen there's fun going on 24 hours a day. Some nightclubs are open until 5:00 a.m. And a number of pubs open up when they close down. One of Copenhagen's most famous nightclubs is Lorry's. Go there for dinner and dancing. Or make it late for the floor show. They put on a good one. With family oriented entertainment. Or if a discotheque is your desire, groove at the Whiskey a Go Go with the Danish young set. If you're feeling intellectual drop into a coffee house and listen to the latest avant-garde poets read their poetry. You should not miss a quiet tour or two in a Bodega or wine cellar. They're charming, smoky caverns where you can relax over a beer or a glass of wine and a chess board. But to be typically Danish, visit the Vin and Olgod beer cellar and sing to the Omm-Pah-Pah band. You'll find a sing-a-long song book at every table setting. Lock arms with the people at the next table and sing or hop up on the benches and dance. You'll really get into the Spirit of Scandinavia.

WHAT'S HAPPENING

JULY 4, Raymond ("Ironside") Burr is guest speaker at American Independence Day festivities at Re-bild in Jutland.

JULY 9 - AUG. 8, H. C. Andersen Festival: a well-known fairy tale is performed in both English and Danish in The Funen Village, Odense.

AUG. 19 - 22, Furniture in Herning Hallerne in Herning, Jutland.

SEPT. 4 - 12, Aarhus Festival Week, only Danish all-round festival on an international level: concerts theater, opera, ballet, exhibitions.

WORTH KNOWING

In May the opening of the \$30 million Sheraton-Copenhagen Hotel, took place just 20 minutes from Kastrup Airport and adjacent to the new Scandinavian Fashion Centre. The 20-story building guests 900 visitors. Beside pub, wine cellar, bar and night club, the hotel contains a sauna and health club. Meeting rooms seat 1,800 for conventions.

The motliest street in Denmark, Nyhavn ("New Harbor"), celebrates its 300th year in 1971. The street which parallels a narrow channel, has restaurants, discotheques, tattoo parlors and boutiques with fashionable togs and souvenirs. The south side boats one of the city's best restaurants, Gilleleje, at No. 10, and "the world's best waiter," Kai Telling. Exotic and typical Danish fare are served in a cosy setting amidst trophies from South Seas explorations. Faergetro ("Ferryboat Inn"), No. 5, serves tasty food from 5 a.m. to 11 p.m.



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Norway

The Norwegians are a healthy, hearty, sportsminded people. But they love their night life too! In Oslo, every night is a sellout at the famous Ibsen National Theatre. And Oslo is where you'll find the biggest, most fascinating and liveliest Discotheque in Scandinavia. Sound City. Five floors of swinging action. Wander through the first floor record shop. Then grab a snack in the second floor cafeteria before you make it to the third floor "Dodge City" western-style saloon. Dance it off to live and recorded music. Next stop fourth floor. That new sound you're hearing is being played and sung by the latest Pop group from Liverpool or London. Sit back in psychedelic splendor. Or go up a flight to five for more of the same on Stereo. Wow! They've really made this old warehouse rock.

Bands, Stereo and a huge dance floor is what makes the Oslo University Student Club go. You'll really be in the thick of things if you happen to be there on one of the Student Clubs Beer-Drinking Competition nights. For a quieter experience dine and dance sedately at the Hotel Bristol's Moorish Hall or the Hotel Grand's Mirror Room. Bergen comes alive with a discotheque and The Barn for dining and dancing. Both in the Hotel Norge. Anyplace you go in Norway you'll find some after dark fun. So go exploring and have the fun of making new discoveries and new friends.

WORTH KNOWING

Gothenburg's 350-year celebrations are in full swing. Many events are planned in Scandinavium, the largest indoor arena in the north. All roads lead to this coastal city in 1971.

Modern art is going underground — literally — in Stockholm, where sculpted figures like Bejemark's "Humor" of the smiling construction worker grace the streets. This swinging capital is very art conscious and touts its mosaic-decorated subway stations.

A tourist delight for men is Sauna and Health Club, S:T Eriksgatan 60, featuring all the pleasures of the Roman baths in the center of Stockholm. Services include massages, sauna baths, and after the treatment, one can enjoy refreshing drinks and tasty food in the cafeteria. Ideal for the travelworn male rubberneck. Open weekdays from 12 to 8, Saturdays from 12 to 6.

Sweden

The greatest assortment of night life in Sweden is in Stockholm. And what an assortment. Anything and everything you could want. Save a night for Berns. The largest nightclub in Europe. And even though it seats 1400 people, make a reservation. Because here's where internationally famous entertainers headline the floor show. For a more intimate evening drop into Gamlingen in the Old Town and dance to a good jazz band. You'll probably be dancing alongside some of Sweden's leading artists and theatre people. Before you go home have a nightcap next door at Stampen, a popular pub where the ceilings and walls are hung with an unbelievably crazy collection of things. And the jazz is loud and lively. Stockholm has its discotheques too! Complete with flashing lights and wayout amplified music. Like Lord Nilsson which is small and groovy. And Alexandra's where the boys seem to take the prettiest girls in Stockholm. Outside of Stockholm most night life centres around the major hotels. But wherever you go in Scandinavia you'll find the most fun will be in meeting the Scandinavians. Night and day.

WORTH KNOWING

The Viking Tour between Bergen and Oslo is a pleasant way to drink in the beauty of the varied Norwegian landscape. The three-day trip takes in Hardanger Fjord, Stal-



SAS PRESENTS TWO TICKETS TO NORWAY

Olaf Solli (left), Norwegian Consul-General in Montreal, lifts the winning ticket — a trip for two to Norway — following a sales promotion contest sponsored by Danesco of Canada Ltd., a well-known Scandinavian import agency. Witnessing the happy occasion are Mr. Knud Petersen, President of Danesco (right) and Hans J. Dedekam, Canadian Manager of Scandinavian Airlines. The winner was Mrs. M. Kavanaugh, an employee of Georg Jensen Canada Ltd. in Toronto.

A JOURNEY TO REMEMBER

A Week-End in the North

by Ragna Sivertsen and Min Strand

Leaving Edmonton Friday noon and the W. A. C. Bennett Dam. There we viewed the Power House and the Look-out-tower.

On our way again we drove to Moberly Lake which is just a beautiful and peaceful spot where we enjoyed barbecue steaks and all the trimmings. Evening is coming on and we are returning back to LaGlace via Chetwynd, Dawson Creek and Hythe.

Sunday we are heading back towards Edmonton and are joined by Irene and Laverne Sorgaard's spending a most relaxing evening.

The next day we got an early start on a very unexpected sight seeing trip. Our first stop was to pick up Mrs. Lagergren (Irene's mother) at the Hythe Senior Citizen's Home, then on to Dawson Creek, Fort St. John, Hudson Hope

PAID HOLIDAYS FOR FARMERS

Norway soon will become the first country in the world to introduce paid vacations for farmers. Under proposals to be submitted to parliament, farmers and their wives will receive four weeks' vacation each year and about \$280 in cash. The plan began in May for a four-year trial period.

NEW STAMPS

Birds flying from darkness towards light is the subject of a new Swedish stamp to support "Refugee 71", the large inter-Nordic fundraising campaign for aid to refugees. Denmark's Post Office chose a family on the run as a motif. Norway's a hand with a heart and an eye, and Iceland's a mother with a child. The Red Cross, the Save the Children Fund, and various charity and refugee organizations initiated the campaign.

heim Canyon, Neroy Fjord, the 12th-century Borglund stave church and the Hallingdal valley. Daily departures between May and Sept. Cost: \$113.

Veteran cars taxi tourists around the Oslo museum set. Stops made at the Viking Ship Museum, Kon Tiki Museum, Norwegian Folk Museum and others.

The Oslo Golf Club near Lake Bogstad, a suburb to the west of the capital, is in full swing between May and October. Sunlight permits buffs to remain on the links until 11 p.m. The club features a plush bar and first-class restaurant.

HOW TO MAKE ICELANDIC HARDFISH

By Margaret Cameron

METHOD

Use fillets of lake pike or pickerel. Wash and dry well, pat fillets to make them thinner and more uniform in size. Arrange fillets on wire rack and place in the sunshine in the open fresh air high above the ground to cure. Do not use salt or any other curing agent — the sun is the thing.

Fish must be protected from flies, and as flies do not fly too high, placing the fish high above the ground is the answer. Turn fish daily for about one week. When fish appears dry and slightly transparent, it may be prepared for use.

PREPARATION

Use wooden board or block and wooden mallet. Tap fish lightly until it appears light in color and soft and flaky, then it is ready to eat. (DO NOT COOK). Serve in small pieces with fresh butter. Delightful between meal snack served with cold beverages.

(Editor's Note: Mrs. Cameron learned how to make hardfish from her father, Gisli O. Gislason, who used to delight his friends who visited him at Calling Lake where the family had a cottage. Mr. Gislason learned the process from his father who brought him out to Canada from Iceland in the 1800s when he was a missionary. Mrs. Cameron says when fresh water fish is used instead of sea water fish, there is not that overwhelming odor.)

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Scandinavian History and Culture Probed

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Marilyn Sveen: We have been talking about the Norse ideas of time. You have said that the pagan North had varied views and that this is shown when their ideas of afterlife are considered. Is this where we begin?

Dr. Nelson: Yes, the views were varied but they were not incoherent. To this point I have given two ideas of time as revealed by the northmen's ideas of afterlife. The first was the idea of time as a repetitive cycle. This is the notion of time that makes Valhalla possible. Valhalla is, of course, the place in Hel — the Norse place of afterlife — where the heroes of the god Odin assemble after they are slain or die otherwise and are burned. The activity in Valhalla is restricted to feasting, drinking, fighting and probably wenching. Thus, the days go by one very much like the others. So far as time is concerned, the essential notion is that the same things can re-occur in an ordered and endless fashion. The re-occurring activity of Valhalla is similar to the repeating seasons of the year.

However, unlike the cycles in the natural world, e.g. the year, month or day, there is really no progression in the events of Valhalla. In Valhalla there is a lack of aging on the part of the dead and also there is a daily re-creation of things destroyed by the activities of the day. Those slain during the fighting of the day rise up to feast. The animal they feast on is a similarly magical thing, too. This feast (which is a boar) is re-created whole for the feasting of each day. The repetitive time of Valhalla is real from the point of view of the individual in Valhalla but, as we shall see, illusionary according to the myth of Ragnarok because at Ragnarok all including Valhalla ends in destruction.

The second idea of time is embodied in the realm of Nifelheim. Nifelheim lacks the cyclical character of Valhalla completely. It also hasn't any obvious magical characteristics. It may be described as an abode for the dead who are fated to be separated from others in a changeless realm of Hel. Time would virtually cease for the individual experiencing Nifelheim. The reason for this is psychological. Changeless circumstances as we have attributed to Nifelheim are known to produce a peculiar kind of depersonalized state.

Experimental psychologists have shown through experiments that isolation from social stimulation and changes in the physical surroundings, which is called "sensory deprivation" in the technical literature of psychology, disposes the person to chaotic and uncontrolled thought patterns. It evokes disjointed hallucinatory and often nightmare-like awareness that is not readily put into a personal framework in which "before" and "after" is experienced, or, much less, a "past" and "future" experienced. Existence in Nifelheim may be construed to something that may be described as a protracted "present moment" or as an indefinitely extended mood tone.

Now we have only to consider the time implied by the Northman's ideas of Ragnarok. Ragnarok was the end of everything.

Marilyn: I have read that Ragnarok is not only the world's end. It is doom of the gods, too. The signs of Ragnarok and events of Ragnarok are very powerfully described in the Voluspa of the Prose Edda. As I recall, Ragnarok starts innocently with a game of the Osir Gods. The game, however, leads to

the death of Odins son Balder through treachery. The giant responsible, who is actually a sort of a prankster god named Loki, is punished for Balder's death and the world order then begins to perceptibly disintegrate. After a series of vividly described events, a great contest between men and gods on the one side with the giants on the other, and with dwarfs joining in too, ensues. The exploits of the Gods, Odin, Thor, Tyr, Heimdall, are recounted. They prevail but are themselves destroyed in the encounter. After the beings of the worlds are destroyed everything continues to burn. Finally, the sun goes out, the stars leave the sky and the land sinks into the sea.

Dr. Nelson: The Voluspa is regarded as the highest spiritual effort of the heathen north left for us to know. The language and imagery it evokes are very powerful, even in translation.

But let's get back to our topic. What does the doom of the Gods tell us about how the northman conceived of time. Well, first notice that Ragnarok is similar in its broader aspects to the Christian notion of the day of judgement. The legions of the Norse stream from HEL to join the final struggle and are doomed to be defeated. According to the Christians the dead arise to be judged along other dimensions than mettle in battle.

Ragnarok time is therefore familiar to us because it is a time which proceeds toward something final. Ragnarok time is the product of a continuously and orderly flow of events.

It is only different from our calendrical ideas in so far as the time scale is ordinal rather than interval — this is a technical distinction of measurement there is no need to go into here — and in so far as a numbering system such as we apply to our dates is lacking.

The result of the difference is only that Odin himself does not apparently know exactly when Ragnarok will begin. He is made to say in Eriks-mal — "it is not surely to be known when the grey wolf shall come upon the seat of the Gods" (Vigfusson, Vol. I, pg. 261). However, he just as surely awaits it and prepares for it. Apparently this is his purpose for Valhalla. Valhalla seems to be a training camp and barracks for those who will fully share the violent obliteration of the universe. He wants to keep those in top shape.

The time of Ragnarok has a finality about it that corresponds with our idea of time as a destroyer. The Voluspa gives us, quite literally, an ordinal time table for the destruction of the world. Time is definitely going somewhere in this case.

Marilyn: Now I think I am beginning to understand what has been said. Let's see. Time is moving along as we expect it to when we think of Ragnarok. It is not standing still as it does in Nifelheim or repeating itself as it does in Valhalla.

Dr. Nelson: Good. Now let's see if we can understand these even better by making a mechanical or spatial analogy. I like the idea of this analogy because it has the advantage of showing how these three ideas of time fit into one another. For there is no need of thinking of these time states as independent of one another.

Imagine a wheel that turns on a shaft or axle. Then imagine this wheel to be running on a track that finally has an end somewhere. The axle would, of course, be Nifelheim time. It does not change itself but moves as the wheel moves. If one were completely within the axle, one could not be aware that the axle was moving at all, that it existed in time. Then let's consider the wheel. This is Valhalla.

The wheel rotates. It goes around but always comes back to the same point. If one lived in the wheel, he could only be aware of recurring events. Finally, the rail is time of Ragnarok. There is a "before" and "after". If we think of the hub and wheel moving along toward the end of the track, we would have the idea of time from the point of view of Ragnarok.

To illustrate, the wheel and its shaft moves along the rail. The shaft and wheel represent the Norse afterlife called Hel. The forward movement along the track occurs even though those residing in Hel after death have no direct awareness of it. When the wheel reaches the end of the track HEL has reached Ragnarok and its final end. Time of Hel then crumbles.

Marilyn: But didn't men know about the time of Ragnarok as well as others through poems such as the Voluspa? After all, we believe various versions were widely recited.

Dr. Nelson: Oh, yes, they had intellectual awareness of this time much as we do the time of the calendar. However, we do not experience the calendar directly, do we? We understand the time of the calendar only after instruction as to what it means. This is in contrast to our direct experience of the day being repeated, our observation of the repetitive phases of the moon, seasons, and so forth.

The Northmen similarly restricted the direct awareness of the progression toward disaster to Odin. He had the wisdom to interpret the signs of Ragnarok. He gave mankind indirect knowledge of its ultimate fate. Odin does this in his guise as Bragi. He inspires skalds who then constructs epics dealing with this mythical context. Odin's gift of inspiration results in artistic products such as the Voluspa, which have merit sufficient to recommend recitation in court.

Marilyn: That is a compelling reconstruction of the Norse idea of time. How did they arrive at such a complex scheme. After all, they were not a people given to philosophy, but men of action. They didn't even have a priest in their religion. The warrior chiefs were responsible for religious observations.

Dr. Nelson: Every age and every people has had clear headed and far sighted individuals to formulate problems and suggest solutions. As I said, the time of Nifelheim is directly experienced under conditions of sensory deprivation. Those trapped by snow slides or lost or ship wrecked during the winter approached the timeless state. They had no clear idea of days or other forms of time passage. The cyclical time of Valhalla is observed in the endless seasons, days, moons, etc. These are really things that just re-occur and go nowhere. We put them into a time scheme foreign to them by using a calendar.

Finally, Ragnarok time is linear and irreversible. This is the time we experience as development, aging and death in the human and animals, and growth, ripening and the death of the annual plant as it goes to seed. The ultimate failure and destruction of all things impressed the Norse most forcibly and led them to make other forms of time subordinate to the ordinal time of Ragnarok and indeed fatally flaw the god Odin and make knowledge itself ultimately powerless.

Marilyn: I believe you have something else to bring up regarding Norse time. What is it?

Dr. Nelson: It is the opinion of an angle or Saxon jarl at the end of the pagan period in 625. Christianity is being considered for the realm of Northumbria. The king Edwin seeks Council and Coifi one

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of the Chief pagans, gives this verdict on time:

"Thus seems it to me, thou King, the present life of man on earth against that time which is unknown to us: it is as if thou wert sitting at a feast with thy chief men and thy thanes in the winter-time; the fire burns and the hall is warmed, and outside it rains and snows and storms. Comes a sparrow and swiftly flies through the house; it comes through one door and goes out another. Lo, in the time in which he is within he is not touched by the winter storm, but that time is the flash of an eye and the least of times, and he soon passes from winter to winter again. So is the life of man revealed for a brief space, but what went before and what follows after we know not."

Finally, I should like to say that a lot has been written about Gimli and the Norse idea of an afterlife beyond the structure of time as they could conceive of it. However,

a concession to Christianity coming this is also generally agreed to be in as the old faith wavered. An old English poem found in the Exeter Book and probably written about the time the Vikings first visited England also gives the Northman's outlook of what lies beyond, although, nominally written to deal with a Christian theme. To understand what is said we must remember that "Wierd" is one of the Norms, "Wierd" is a fate goddess who issues decrees controlling the life of man.

Wierd's will changeth the world. Wealth is lent us, friends are lent us, man is lent, kin is lent; all this earth's frame shall stand empty.'

One of the first Norse explorers of Iceland, Hrafna-Floki, spent a winter in Vatnsfjord, and it is he who is said to have given Iceland its chilly name.